Quiz 8 – Political Parties – 3-1-17  
  
1. The rejuvenation of the Republican Party in Texas came in 1961 when \_\_\_\_\_\_ was elected to the U.S. Senate.   
a. Kay Bailey Hutchinson   
b. Phil Gramm   
c. John Tower   
d. John Cornyn   
  
2. In 1974, the GOP held only 53 offices at the county level, and now they hold more than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ county offices.   
a. 60   
b. 2,000   
c. 1,000   
d. 100   
  
3. The shift in party identification in the state can be attributed to all of the following reasons except   
a. an emphasis on civil rights in the 1960s and 1970s.   
b. the popularity of President Lyndon Johnson.   
c. the impact of President Ronald Reagan.   
d. the election of George W. Bush to the presidency in 2000 and 2004.   
  
4. The idea of dealignment suggests that   
a. there is a shift in party dominance.   
b. voters are calling themselves independents rather than identifying with political parties.   
c. voters make a conscientious decision to stay at home on election day.   
d. more voters are crossing over on election day.   
  
5. In recent presidential elections, Texas has   
a. consistently supported the Democratic nominee.   
b. consistently supported the Republican nominee.   
c. consistently supported the Independent nominee.   
d. never consistently supported only one party’s nominee.   
  
6. Which of the following is not a belief of the Libertarian political party?   
a. Regulating campaigns promotes too much government involvement.   
b. The United States should not intervene in world affairs.   
c. Individual liberty and personal responsibility take precedence over all else.   
d. Social Security is a sound system not in need of reform.   
  
7. The precinct convention is open to individuals who   
a. registered to vote.   
b. voted during the early voting period.   
c. voted earlier in the day in that party’s primary.   
d. voted in any party’s primary or convention earlier in the day.   
  
8. The roles of a party precinct chair include all of the following except   
a. organizing in the precinct.   
b. helping to organize party activities.   
c. arranging and presiding over the precinct convention.   
d. serving as a member of the state executive committee. 

9. All of the following are part of the state’s Republican Party’s platform except they   
a. demand abolition of bilingual education.   
b. oppose an income tax at all levels of government.   
c. propose amnesty for long-term, working illegal immigrants.   
d. believe that properly applied capital punishment is legitimate and an effective deterrent.   
  
10. The duties of the state’s political parties’ executive committees include all of the following except   
a. determining the site of the next state convention.   
b. nominating state party candidates.   
c. producing and disseminating press releases and other publicity.   
d. raising money and coordinate special projects. 